

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims in this application as follows. This listing replaces all previous versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) A filter system for at least one deep fat fryer, said filter system comprising:

a tank for containing oil and a drain for said tank including a separately controlled outlet and a drain pipe in communication with said outlet, said drain pipe having a downspout;

a substantially rectangular open filter pan disposed below said downspout and a substantially flat filter horizontally disposed within said pan below said downspout, said filter being vertically movable within said pan;

a return for drawing filtered oil from said pan and returning said oil to said tank including a pump and a valve for directing filtered oil from the filter pan to said tank;

said return further including a take-up pipe having an a first end releasably coupled to said filter and an opposite end in communication with said pump ~~and a~~ said first end mounted to a swivel mounting carried by said pipe at said ~~opposite~~ first end whereby when said end is uncoupled from said filter said pipe can be rotated away from said filter;

a first switch coupled to the pump and the valve for simultaneously controlling the valve and the pump; and

an inline filter disposed within said take-up pipe for further filtering said filtered oil from the filter pan before it is returned to said tank.

2. (Original). The system of claim 1 wherein said inline filter is removable from said pipe.

3. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein said downspout has a curved end for directing oil downwardly at an acute angle to said filter and a rotatable handle whereby said downspout can be rotated from a downwardly directed first

position and a horizontal second position.

4. (Previously presented) The system of claim 1 wherein said return further includes a coupling slidably connecting said pickup pipe and said filter pan.

5. (Previously presented) The coupling of claim 4 further comprising a U-shaped bracket.

6. (Original) The system of claim 3 wherein said downspout is slidably mounted on said drain pipe.

7. (Previously presented) The system of claim 6 wherein said filter pan further comprises a crumb tray disposed below said downspout and beside said filter for receiving oil to be filtered and a baffle carried by said tray for directing said oil onto the upper surface of said filter.

8. (Previously presented) The system of claim 3 further comprising a polishing circuit for recirculating filtered oil for refiltering without passing through said tank.

9. (Previously presented) The system of claim 8 wherein the polishing circuit includes a tube rotatably mounted on said fryer and emptying into said filter pan, said tube rotatable between a downwardly directed first position and a horizontal second position.

10. (Previously presented) The system of claim 9 further comprising a releasable stabilizer connecting said tube and said downspout whereby rotation of said downspout will rotate said tube simultaneously between said first and second positions.

11. (Previously presented) The system of claim 10 wherein said stabilizer includes a clip releasably engaging said tube.

12. (Previously presented) The system of claim 9 further comprising a second switch coupled to said pump and said valve for selectively directing the output of said pump to said tank or said tube.

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